

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 8 PM

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stratham Municipal Center on Tuesday, on the fourteenth day of March 2017, next at eight of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section VII, Subsection 7.5 *Exempt Signs*, Subsection 7.5.j. *Real Estate signs* to establish clarification of the permitting process for these exempt signs, and in connection therewith, amend Section II, to add 2.1.52 *Premises* as the term has been added for clarify of intent within the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

2.1.52 Premises: A real estate term for land and the improvements on it, including a building, store, apartment, or other designated structure

Section VII, Subsection 7.5 Exempt Signs, Subsection 7.5.j will be amended to read:

- j. Real Estate Signs if limited to one (1) per premises and four (4) square feet in area in residential zones and thirty-two (32) square feet in all other zones. These signs shall be removed within thirty (30) days of settlement or lease of the property.

The Planning Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section III, Subsection 3.8 Gateway Commercial Business District, by amending Subsection 3.8.6 Review and Permitting Process to further clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for developments within the Gateway Commercial Business District, and in connection therewith, amend Subsection 3.8.8 Table 5 related to street improvements as follows:

Delete current Subsection 3.8.6 as follows:

~~3.8.6 Review and Permitting Process:~~

~~a. Review Process:~~

- ~~i. The Board of Selectmen will hereby create a Technical Review Committee ("TRC") comprised of the Town Planner, a member of the Heritage Commission,~~

~~and three (3) members and two (2) alternates appointed by the Board of Selectmen and recommended by the Planning Board. The TRC shall process applications for development within the District for the purpose of determining compliance with the provisions of the Ordinance. The TRC may consult with other committees, commissions, and professionals for review and comment on applications within the District. Any cost associated with professional review shall be the responsibility of the applicant.~~

~~ii. Projects that do not require a Conditional Use Permit shall be evaluated for compliance with this ordinance by the TRC, administratively approved by the Town Planner, and processed by the Planning Board when required under the Subdivision or Site Plan Review Regulations of Stratham.~~

~~iii. An administrative decision by the Town Planner relating to compliance with the requirements of this ordinance (approval or denial of an application) may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.~~

~~iv. Should any construction, site work, or development be commenced without an approved Conditional Use Permit, Subdivision, Site Plan approval or administrative approval, or any should a violation of an approved Development Plan or Conditional Use Permit occur, the Planning Board or the Town Planner has the right to require the property owner to stop, remove, and/or mitigate the violation, or seek the appropriate appeal process to gain compliance.~~

~~b. Conditional Use Permit:~~

~~i. Applications for development within the District may include a request for a Conditional Use Permit to deviate from the requirements of this ordinance. All such requests shall be accompanied by a narrative description of the deviation and a site plan showing the deviation from any requirement within this ordinance. Deviation from the requirements of this Ordinance shall be permitted by grant of a Conditional Use Permit issued by the Planning Board.~~

~~ii. A Conditional Use Permit is a decision that would permit deviation from or reduction in a specific provision(s) of this Ordinance but that is otherwise generally consistent with the provisions of Section 3.8.3 Purpose and Intent. The Planning Board shall have the authority to grant or deny a request for a Conditional Use Permit pursuant to the provisions of RSA 674:16 and RSA 674:21.~~

~~iii. The granting or denial of a Conditional Use Permit by the Planning Board may be appealed to the Superior Court, as provided for in RSA 677:15. [A Planning Board decision on the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit cannot be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (RSA 676:5 III).]~~

~~iv. A Conditional Use Permit, for relief from the requirements of this Ordinance, may be granted by the Planning Board after proper public notice and public hearing provided the Planning Board finds that an application complies with standards 1. and 2. below.~~

- ~~1. Consistent with the Gateway Business District Master Plan, including but not limited to:
 - a. Both public and private buildings and landscaping shall contribute to the physical definition of streetscapes and public spaces; and
 - b. Development shall adequately accommodate automobiles and emergency vehicles, while respecting the pedestrian and the spatial form of public spaces; and
 - c. Design of streets and buildings shall reinforce safe environments, but not at the expense of accessibility and efficient traffic flow; and
 - d. Architecture and landscape design shall complement climate, topography, community character, and building practice; and
 - e. Open space and public gathering places shall be provided as locations that reinforce the identity and activity of the District and the community; and
 - f. New development and redevelopment shall be otherwise consistent with the intent and purpose of this ordinance; and
 - g. Does not impact adjacent properties and uses in the District.~~
- ~~2. Improves public safety within the District and/or in adjacent zoning districts; or provides environmental and natural resource protection; or provides a measureable public benefit (such as increased public space, open space or public amenities).~~

and replace with proposed Subsection 3.8.6 language as follows:

- 3.8.6 The Board of Selectmen will hereby create a Technical Review Committee ("TRC") comprised of the Town Planner, a member of the Heritage Commission, and three (3) members and two (2) alternates appointed by the Board of Selectmen and recommended by the Planning Board. The TRC shall process applications for development within the District for the purpose of determining compliance with the provisions of the Ordinance. The TRC may consult with other committees, commissions, and professionals for review and comment on applications within the District. Any cost associated with professional review shall be the responsibility of the applicant. The TRC review of any application shall be deemed equivalent to a Preliminary Consultation with the Planning Board, however, applicants may also submit for Preliminary Consultation.

Should any construction, site work, or development be commenced without an approved Conditional Use Permit, Subdivision, Site Plan approval, or any should a violation of an approved Development Plan or Conditional Use Permit occur, the Planning Board or the Town Planner has the right to require the property owner to stop, remove, and/or mitigate the violation, or seek the appropriate appeal process to gain compliance.

a. Review Process:

- i. Projects that do not require a Conditional Use Permit shall be evaluated for compliance with this ordinance by the TRC, and then be processed by the

Planning Board as required under the Subdivision and/or Site Plan Review Regulations of Stratham. Such applications should follow the submission requirements of a Site Plan Review Application.

- ii. For those development applications within the District that include a request for a deviation from the requirements of this ordinance, a complete Site Plan Review Application shall be accompanied with a Conditional Use Permit Application that includes a narrative description of the deviation(s) and a site plan illustrating proposed deviation from any requirement within this ordinance. Deviation from the requirements of this Ordinance shall only be permitted by grant of a Conditional Use Permit issued by the Planning Board. A Conditional Use Permit is a decision that would permit deviation from or reduction in a specific provision(s) of this Ordinance but that is otherwise generally consistent with the provisions of Section 3.8.3 Purpose and Intent (See 3.8.6 a. iii).
- iii. The Planning Board shall have the authority to grant or deny a request for a Conditional Use Permit, pursuant to the provisions of RSA 674:16 and RSA 674:21.A *Conditional Use Permit*, for relief from the requirements of this Ordinance, after proper public notice and public hearing where the Planning Board finds that an application complies with standards 1. and 2. below:
 1. Consistent with the Gateway Business District Master Plan, including but not limited to:
 - a. Both public and private buildings and landscaping shall contribute to the physical definition of streetscapes and public spaces; and
 - b. Development shall adequately accommodate automobiles and emergency vehicles, while respecting the pedestrian and the spatial form of public spaces; and
 - c. Design of streets and buildings shall reinforce safe environments, but not at the expense of accessibility and efficient traffic flow; and
 - d. Architecture and landscape design shall complement climate, topography, community character, and building practice; and
 - e. Open space and public gathering places shall be provided as locations that reinforce the identity and activity of the District and the community; and
 - f. New development and redevelopment shall be otherwise consistent with the intent and purpose of this ordinance; and
 - g. Does not unduly impact adjacent properties and uses in the District.
 2. Improves public safety within the District and/or in adjacent zoning districts; or provides environmental and natural resource protection; or provides a measureable public benefit (such as increased public space, open space, or public amenities).

- iv. The granting or denial of a Conditional Use Permit by the Planning Board may be appealed to the Superior Court, as provided for in RSA 677:15. A Planning Board Decision on the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit cannot be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment (RSA 676:5 iii).

And in conjunction therewith, amend Section 3.8.8 Table 5 as indicated here:

Section 3.8.8

TABLE 5.

Streetscape Elements		
<i>Element</i>	<i>Standards</i>	<i>Description</i>
Planting Strip	5-foot minimum width (as shown on roadway cross-sections)	Refer to Site Plan Review Regulations Section V.5.2. for landscaping requirements.
Setback	Combined 13 feet minimum/20 feet maximum	Composed of sidewalk and planting or street buffer strip with granite curbing.
Crossings	6 feet minimum width, 10 feet maximum width Required at street intersections and permitted at mid-block	Within an individual block or development, shall be composed consistently of similar materials and may include brick, pavers, stamped concrete, porous pavement; all sidewalks shall have granite curbing against a thoroughfare. Differentiate with use of non-asphalt materials, striping and accent paving or materials.
Street Trees	1 per 25 ¹ linear feet of right of way	Located within the Planting Strip or Street Buffer Strip.
Lighting	1 per 25 ¹ linear feet of right of way	Along all sidewalks, New England traditional fixtures with downcast illumination; lighting placement shall alternate with street tree placement.
Seating	Encouraged	In public spaces (such as pocket parks and gardens) and at street intersections.
Shelters (transit, school bus stops)	Optional	Painted or coated metal frame or natural materials.
Trash Receptacles	Required	Secured and covered at street intersections or mid-block.
Bicycle Racks	Required	At transit stops/shelters, public spaces, parking areas.

¹ *For trees and lighting located along Portsmouth Ave. (SR 108), the spacing shall be AVG 30' for trees and AVG 60' for lighting. The Planning Board shall determine the final number and location of each element based upon review by qualified professionals and in coordination with NHDOT.*

The Planning Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the recent statutory changes to NH RSA 674:70 Accessory Dwelling Units and replace Section V, Subsection 5.4 *Accessory Apartments* with an amended 5.4 *Accessory Dwelling Units* to reflect this change, and in connection therewith, amend Section II Definitions by replacing Subsection 2.1.2 *Accessory Apartment* with 2.1.3 *Accessory Dwelling Unit*, and in connection therewith, further amend Section II, to add 2.1.69 *Transient Occupancy* as the term has been added for clarify of intent within the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

The following definitions will be added:

- 2.1.3 Accessory Dwelling Unit: means a residential living unit that is within a detached single-family dwelling or within an existing attached or detached garage, and meets the requirements set forth in Section 5.4. (Rev. 3/90, 3/09, 3/16)
- 2.1.68 Transient Occupancy: means the right to use, occupy, or possess, or the use, occupancy, or possession of, a dwelling unit or a habitable unit for a period of 30 consecutive calendar days or less.

The current section 5.4 will be deleted as follows:

~~5.4 **ACCESSORY APARTMENTS** (REV. 3/90, 3/05 & 3/09)~~

~~5.4.1 Purpose: The purpose of the accessory apartment provision is to provide an accessory housing alternative, while maintaining neighborhood aesthetics and quality.~~

~~5.4.2 Objectives: The objectives of this Section are to:~~

- ~~a. Provide a housing unit in a single-family neighborhood for individuals seeking affordable housing alternatives;~~
- ~~b. Protect the single-family residential character of a neighborhood by ensuring that the accessory apartment is permitted only in an owner-occupied house and under such conditions as to protect the health, property values, safety, and welfare of the public.~~

~~5.4.3 Special Exception:~~

~~One (1) accessory apartment within a detached single-family dwelling or garage which may be separate from or attached to the main dwelling and is clearly a subordinate part thereof will be permitted by special exception. The Zoning Board of Adjustment will grant a special exception provided that all of the following conditions are met:~~

- a. ~~The dwelling to which an accessory apartment is to be added must be owner-occupied;~~
- b. ~~The property and proposed use must conform to the dimensional requirements of Table 4.2 (including the requirements for lot coverage, building footprint and open space requirements);~~
- c. ~~The single family dwelling shall not be a mobile home, condominium, or located within a cluster development;~~
- d. ~~The accessory apartment shall be designed so that the appearance of the building remains that of a one family dwelling. Any new entrance that may be required shall be located on the side or in the rear of the building. Units within a garage should be constructed to maintain the look of a residential garage, such that entry doors should remain and any decks are constructed to the rear of the structure;~~
- e. ~~The size of the accessory apartment shall be between 400 square feet and 1000 square feet, and shall not exceed 1/3 of the living area of the existing dwelling;~~
- f. ~~In no case shall there be more than Three (3) people residing within an accessory apartment;~~
- g. ~~Adequate off-street paved or gravel parking shall be provided and shown on the sketch plan. The appearance of the parking design shall be that of a single family dwelling;~~
- h. ~~The structure and lot shall not be converted to a condominium or any other form of legal ownership distinct from the ownership of the existing single family dwelling;~~
- i. ~~Prior to granting a special exception by the ZBA, the owner shall provide, as part of the ZBA case file, the following:~~
 - i. ~~Evidence to the Building Inspector or their agent that septic facilities are adequate for both units according to the standards of Stratham and the N.H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Division. If deemed necessary by said Inspector, such evidence shall be in the form of certification by a State of NH licensed septic system designer. Also the owner shall provide evidence that there is adequate potable water according to the standards of the State of New Hampshire. The Building Inspector then shall indicate his approval in writing to the ZBA.~~
 - ii. ~~A floor plan of one quarter inch (1/4") to the foot scale showing the proposed changes to the building.~~

- iii. ~~A sketch plan (drawn to scale) of the lot, with existing and proposed structures and parking.~~
- j. ~~The accessory apartment shall be subject to the standards and conditions for a special exception as set forth in Article 17.8.2 of this Ordinance.~~

5.4.4 Regulations:

- a. ~~The Building Inspector may require construction plans of any improvements and foundations to determine safety of any structure to be used as an accessory apartment. Safety may be determined by review and inspection of the structure to be used.~~
- b. ~~Once any renovation or construction is complete, or the owner is ready to have a unit occupied, a request shall be made to the Building Inspector for an occupancy permit. With the request for the occupancy permit, the owner shall provide the Building Inspector with a copy of a recorded deed addendum listing the conditions set forth in Section 5.4.3 of these ordinances and any other conditions which may have been placed on the property by the Stratham Zoning Board of Adjustment in the granting of the Special Exception. There shall be no occupancy of the accessory unit until the Building Inspector has issued said occupancy permit.~~
- c. ~~Any accessory apartment shall be allowed to continue to be used as such as long as all the requirements of Section 5.4.3 are maintained. If any of the conditions set forth in Section 5.4.3 are not maintained such apartment shall cease to exist. To reestablish use of such apartment the home owner must reapply for a permit.~~

and replaced with the proposed language as follows:

5.4 ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

5.4.1 Purpose: The purpose of the accessory dwelling unit provision is to provide an accessory housing alternative, while maintaining neighborhood aesthetics and quality.

5.4.2 Objectives: The objectives of this Section are to:

- a. Provide a housing unit in a single-family neighborhood for individuals seeking affordable housing alternatives;
- b. Protect the single-family residential character of a neighborhood by ensuring that the accessory apartment is permitted only in an owner-occupied house and under such conditions as to protect the health, property values, safety, and welfare of the public.

5.4.3 Regulations:

No more than one (1) accessory dwelling unit (ADU) will be permitted on a lot or property which is already developed with a detached single-family dwelling. The ADU

may be created within the single-family dwelling or within an existing attached or detached garage in accordance with these regulations. All ADU development shall insure:

- a. The dwelling to which an accessory dwelling unit is to be added must be owner-occupied;
- b. The property and proposed use must conform to the dimensional requirements of Table 4.2 (including the requirements for lot coverage, building footprint and open space requirements);
- c. The accessory dwelling unit shall be designed so that the exterior appearance of the building(s) and property remains that of a one family dwelling. Any new entrance that may be required shall be located on the side or in the rear of the building. Units within a garage should be constructed to maintain the look of a residential garage, such that garage doors should remain and any decks are constructed to the rear of the structure;
- d. The size of the accessory dwelling unit shall be between 400 square feet and 1000 square feet;
- e. In no case shall there be more than three (3) people residing within an accessory dwelling unit;
- f. Adequate off-street paved or gravel parking shall be provided and shown on the sketch plan. The appearance of the parking design shall be that of a single-family dwelling;
- g. The structure and lot shall not be converted to a condominium or any other form of legal ownership distinct from the ownership of the existing single-family dwelling;
- h. Prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, by the Code Enforcement Officer, the owner shall provide, the following:
 - i. Evidence to the Building Inspector or their agent that septic facilities are adequate for both units according to the standards of Stratham and the N.H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Division. If deemed necessary by said Inspector, such evidence shall be in the form of certification by a State of NH licensed septic system designer. Also the owner shall provide evidence that there is adequate potable water according to the standards of the State of New Hampshire.
 - ii. A floor plan of one quarter inch (1/4") to the foot scale showing the proposed changes to the building, if applicable.
 - iii. A sketch plan (drawn to scale) of the lot, with existing and proposed structures and parking, if applicable.

5.4.4 Additional Regulations:

- a. The Building Inspector may require construction plans of any improvements and foundations to determine safety of any structure to be used as an accessory dwelling unit. Safety may be determined by review and inspection of the structure to be used.

- b. Once any renovation or construction is complete, or the owner is ready to have a unit occupied, a request shall be made to the Building Inspector for an occupancy permit. There shall be no occupancy of the accessory dwelling unit until the Building Inspector has issued said occupancy permit.
- c. Any accessory dwelling unit shall be allowed to continue to be used as such as long as all the requirements of Section 5.4.3 are maintained. If any of the conditions set forth in Section 5.4.3 are not maintained such accessory dwelling unit shall cease to exist. To reestablish use of such accessory dwelling unit, the home owner must reapply for a permit.
- d. No accessory dwelling unit shall be used for transient occupancy uses.

The Planning Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section V, Subsection 5.5 *Outside Storage* to Subsection 5.5 *Accessory Outside Storage* to establish the criteria and permitting process for the accessory outside storage of materials as follows:

The following language will be deleted:

5.5 — OUTSIDE STORAGE

~~Storage of materials used in conjunction with a permitted use within any district shall be permitted. However, all goods and materials must be stored in accordance with the minimum yard dimensions specified in Table 4.2, Table of Dimensional Requirements.~~

And replaced with the following:

5.5 ACCESSORY OUTSIDE STORAGE

Accessory storage of materials used in conjunction with a permitted use within any district shall be permitted on the same property as the permitted use. However, all goods and materials must be stored in accordance with the minimum yard dimensions specified in Table 4.2, Table of Dimensional Requirements. The Planning Board may require screening of said storage areas through the Site Plan Review Process.

The Planning Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section VIII, Subsection 8.9.a.iii *Buffer Area* by adding 8.9.a.iii.4 to establish the Planning Board's ability to grant a waiver to wetland/shore land buffer areas upon creation and adoption of regulations establishing criteria to evaluate waiver consideration as follows:

4. The Planning Board may grant a waiver to the Wetland Conservation Overlay District and/or Shoreland Protection Overlay District through the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit at such time as the Town has adopted regulations establishing criteria for such a reduction in buffer dimensionality.

The Planning Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section XIX, Subsection 19.4.2 *Use Districts* by amending 19.4.2 to reflect the Gateway Zoning District zoning established in 2013 and to clarify the permitting process for the Telecommunications Facilities as follows:

The following language will be deleted:

~~19.4.2 Use Districts: (Amended 03-04)~~

	New Tower Construction ¹	Co-location on Pre-existing Tower ²	Co-location on Existing Structure ³
Industrial Zone:	PCU	D	D
Commercial Zone: (GCN, CLIO, PRE & TC)	S/CU ⁴	P	PCU
Residential Zone:	S/CU ⁴	P	PCU

~~P = Permitted Use without Conditional Use Permit
PCU = Permitted Use with Conditional Use Permit
CU = Conditional Use Permit
S = Permitted by Special Exception~~

And replaced with the following:

19.4.2 Use Districts: (Amended 03-04)

	New Tower Construction ¹	Co-location on Pre-existing Tower ²	Co-location on Existing Structure ³
Industrial Zone:	CU	P	P
Commercial Zone: (GCBD, CLIO, PRE & TC)	CU ⁴	P	CU
Residential Zone:	S/CU ⁴	P	CU

P = Permitted

CU = Conditional Use Permit

S = Permitted by Special Exception

The Planning Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

 THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE STRATHAM MEMORIAL SCHOOL, 39 GIFFORD FARM ROAD, STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

ARTICLE 8: – Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, “All Veterans’ Property Tax Credit?” If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than ninety (90) days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or was an officer honorably separated from service, and (2) is not eligible for and not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 for veterans who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict, or under RSA 72:35 for an for veterans with a service-connected disability. If adopted, the credit granted will be in the amount of \$500, which is the same amount previously authorized as the credit under RSA 72:28. If adopted, any qualified person desiring to claim the credit will be required to file an application with the selectmen by April 15 of the tax year.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 9: – To see if the Town will raise and appropriate Six Million Four Hundred Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Eighty One Dollars and no cents (\$6,430,681.00) to defray general town charges for the ensuing year. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 10: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars and no cents (\$1,483,800.00) to implement the Capital Improvements Program for 2017 as presented in the Town Report and approved by the Planning Board. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific items are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 11: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$400,000.00) to contribute towards the conservation of ±83 acres of the Barker Farm, so called, located at 216 Portsmouth Avenue (Tax Map 18, Lot 37, & Map 21, Lot 80) of which Twenty Five Thousand and no cents (\$25,000.00) will be taken from the Land Conservation Fund and the remainder shall be from general taxation. This warrant article is further contingent upon the Southeast Land Trust of NH executing a binding purchase and sales agreement with the legal owners of the stated properties, and obtaining sufficient remaining funds by any legal means to complete the terms of said agreement. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific purpose is completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 12: – To see if the Town will vote to establish a 350th Anniversary Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a to help defray the future costs associated with celebrating the Town's 350th Anniversary of the granting of its charter, and to further raise and appropriate Three Thousand Five Hundred Three Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3,503.50) to be placed in this newly created Fund with this amount to come from unreserved fund balance, and to further name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 13: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$25,000.00) to be deposited into the “Town Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund” as created by the March 16, 2012 Town Meeting.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 14: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Nine Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$89,000.00) for the following purposes:

2017 EMS/EMT/First Responder Training	\$9,000.00
2017 ALS Services Contract	\$10,000.00
2017 Purchase of 2 Replacement Zoll Monitor/Defibrillators	\$70,000.00

and to further authorize the withdrawal of Eighty Nine Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$89,000.00) from the Stratham Fire Department EMS Special Revenue Fund created for these purposes during the March 17, 2000 Annual Town Meeting and as amended during the March 11, 2005 Town Meeting. No additional funds from general taxation are to be used.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 15: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$10,000.00) to be deposited into the “Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund” as created by the March 16, 2007 Town Meeting to meet the currently unfunded obligations of the Town.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 16: – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease to Revision Energy portions of the roof of the Stratham Police Station at 76 Portsmouth Avenue for the purpose of installing solar panel arrays with a term not to exceed twenty (20) years.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 17: – By petition of Peter Wiggin and more than twenty five (25) other registered voters of the Town of Stratham, NH, to see if the Town will vote to fly the POW/MIA flag continuously with, and directly below, the flag of the United States, for a total of two (2) flags, to be flown on the existing single Jewell Sisters’ Memorial Flagpole within the Veterans’ Memorial at Stratham Hill Park, as per the original intent of the Veterans’ Memorial design.

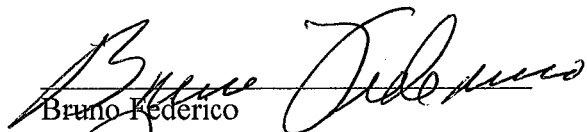
ARTICLE 18: – To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-seventh day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

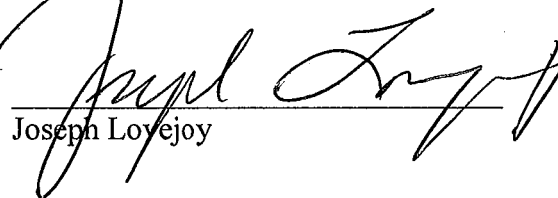
Selectmen of Stratham, NH



David Canada



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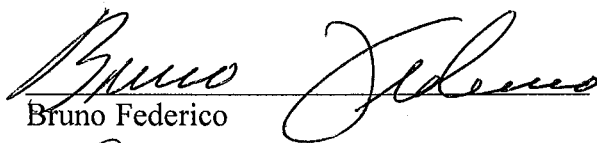


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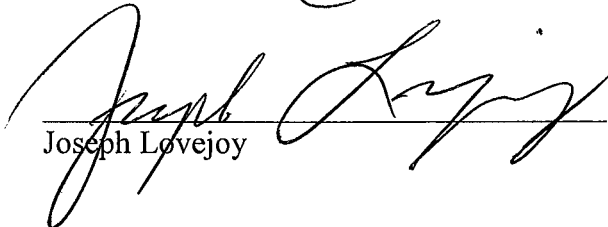
A true copy of Warrant—Attest:



David Canada



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Joseph Lovejoy



Budget of the Town of Stratham
Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Town Meeting

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For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division

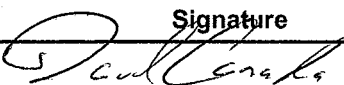
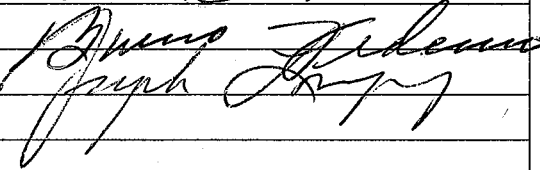
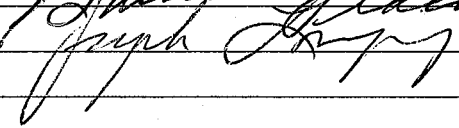
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GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Governing Body Certifications		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
David Canada	Selectman	
Bruno Federico	Selectman	
Joseph Lovejoy	Selectman	

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
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Appropriations

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	09	\$201,978	\$181,258	\$205,750	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	09	\$19,400	\$20,881	\$7,125	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	09	\$444,055	\$437,601	\$452,026	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	09	\$30,000	\$14,480	\$30,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	09	\$993,306	\$861,670	\$1,029,602	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	09	\$256,527	\$227,379	\$278,887	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	09	\$213,788	\$208,479	\$175,010	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	09	\$36,336	\$34,455	\$37,700	\$0
4196	Insurance	09	\$76,151	\$76,151	\$94,489	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	09	\$1,031,128	\$931,852	\$1,060,402	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	09	\$254,900	\$241,369	\$277,464	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	09	\$33,620	\$7,426	\$10,985	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	09	\$1,000	\$930	\$1,000	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	09	\$825,243	\$790,361	\$830,096	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	09	\$9,500	\$9,239	\$13,516	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation						
4321	Administration	09	\$633,595	\$632,800	\$817,049	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration	09	\$18,400	\$13,210	\$10,714	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration	09	\$600	\$0	\$600	\$0
4414	Pest Control	09	\$64,680	\$64,680	\$64,680	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	09	\$40,226	\$40,226	\$41,100	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	09	\$17,000	\$3,370	\$16,500	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	09	\$244,896	\$243,421	\$278,509	\$0
4550-4559	Library	09	\$423,342	\$416,407	\$439,612	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	09	\$2,100	\$1,922	\$2,200	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$11,772	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	09	\$13,050	\$10,010	\$8,900	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	09	\$4,400	\$3,300	\$1,500	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$5,200	\$5,128	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development	09	\$3,750	\$200	\$200	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	09	\$269,330	\$259,689	\$245,065	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Proposed Appropriations		\$6,179,273	\$5,737,894	\$6,430,681	\$0
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Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	10	\$20,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Improvements Program					
4215-4219	Ambulance	14	\$50,000	\$0	\$89,000	\$0
	Purpose: Raise and appropriate from the EMS Special Revenue					
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	11	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0
	Purpose: Conserve Farmland					
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	10	\$695,000	\$0	\$695,000	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Improvements Program					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	10	\$17,000	\$0	\$62,500	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Improvements Program					
4903	Buildings	10	\$49,600	\$0	\$15,000	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Improvements Program					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	10	\$371,000	\$0	\$511,300	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Improvements Program					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	10	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$175,000	\$0
	Purpose: Capital Improvements Program					
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	12	\$0	\$0	\$3,504	\$0
	Purpose: Establish an Expendable Trust Fund for the Town's					
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	13	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
	Purpose: Town Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Expendable					
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	15	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
	Purpose: Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund					
Special Articles Recommended			\$1,362,600	\$160,000	\$2,011,304	\$0

Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Individual Articles Recommended						

Revenues

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	09	\$1,683	\$2,442	\$1,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	09	\$0	\$0	\$100
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	09	\$80,000	\$89,335	\$80,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	09	\$44,100	\$42,207	\$37,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	09	\$1,500,000	\$1,890,961	\$1,600,000
3230	Building Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	09	\$160,000	\$185,957	\$180,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	09	\$379,237	\$379,237	\$379,237
3353	Highway Block Grant	09	\$172,436	\$172,436	\$172,436
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	09	\$203	\$203	\$203
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	09	\$183,700	\$227,668	\$207,985
3409	Other Charges	09	\$10,000	\$5,484	\$8,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	09	\$44,180	\$50,883	\$20,000
3502	Interest on Investments	09	\$12,000	\$21,119	\$15,000
3503-3509	Other	09	\$55,000	\$59,221	\$55,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	14	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$89,000
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	11	\$0	\$0	\$25,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	09	\$20,000	\$31,022	\$20,000
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0

Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	12	\$0	\$0	\$3,504
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	09	\$579,165	\$579,165	\$982,142
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$3,291,704	\$3,787,340	\$3,875,607

Budget Summary

Item	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$6,167,501	\$6,430,681
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$7,699,372	\$2,011,304
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$13,866,873	\$8,441,985
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$9,299,308	\$3,875,607
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$4,567,565	\$4,566,378